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SUBJ: CURRICULUM VITAE OF LTG VERBOIS, CEOA GENERAL MANAGER
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DEFENSE FOR OASD/I&L, MR NOLAND AND COMPT, MR UMBARGER;
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FOR MR MINER.

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REFERENCE MESSAGE STATED THAT EXPANDED INFORMATION ON THE
EXPERIENCE OF BELGIAN NOMINEE FOR CENTRAL EUROPE OPERATING
AGENCY POST OF GENERAL MANAGER WOULD BE FORWARDED TO WASHINGTON
WHEN RECEIVED. ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING CURRICULUM VITAE
OF LT. GENERAL VERBOIS, LOUIS, G.J.B., IS FURNISHED:

"LIEUTENANT GENERAL VERBOIS WAS BORN AT NEUVILLE IN 1914.

HE COMPLETED WITH GREAT DISTINCTION HIS STUDIES IN THE
UNCLASSIFIED

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ENGINEER SECTION OF THE 92ND ARTILLERY AND ENGINEERS POLY-
TECHNIC COURSE AT THE "ECOLE ROYALE MILITAIRE". HE OBTAINED
THE QUALIFICATION OF CIVIL ENGINEER AND, COMMISSIONED LIEU-
TENANT IN 1936, WAS POSTED TO 4 ENGINEER BATTALION. THERE HE

WAS SUCCESSIVELY PLATOON COMMANDER, COMPANY COMMANDER AND INSTRUCTOR IN THE TRAINING COMPANY.

IN APRIL 1938 LIETENANT VERBOIS WAS POSTED FIRST TO 21 ENGINEER BATTALION AS COMMANDER DEMOLITION DETACHMENT AND LATER TO 4 ENGINEER BATTALION AS INSTRUCTOR IN THE TRAINING COMPANY AND COMMANDER DEMOLITION DETACHMENT.

HE TOOK PART IN THE 1940 CHAMPAIGN AS A COMPANY COMMANDER IN 21 ENGINEER BATTALION.

AFTER FIVE YEARS AS PRISONER OF WAR IN GERMANY, HE RETURNED TO ACTIVE SERVICE AS A CAPTAIN SERVING WITH THE MILITARY GEOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE. LATER HE COMMANDED SUCCESSIVELY THE FLEMISH-SPEAKING TRAINING COMPANY AT THE ENGINEER TRAINING CENTRE AND THE UPGRADING WING AT THE ENGINEER SHCOOL.

PROMOTED MAJOR IN MARCH 1952 HE WAS GIVEN COMMAND OF 6 ARMoured DIVISIONAL ENGINEER BATTALION AS KASSEL.

IN 1954 MAJOR VERBOIS WAS ASSIGNED TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT IN THE CABINET OF THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE, WHERE HE WAS RESPONSIBLE IN PARTICULAR FOR CONTROLLING PROCUREMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRACTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR SIGNATURE OF THE MINISTER. HE WAS ALSO CONCERNED IN THE MINESWEEPING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME AND IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SUPPLY OFFICE WASHINGTON (SOW), AND AGENCY ATTACHED TO THE BELGIAN EMBASSY TO THE USA.

IN 1959, LIEUTENANT COLONEL VERBOIS WAS ASSIGNED TO THE ECOLE ROYALE MILITAIRE, CHARGED WITH BILINGUAL INSTRUCTION. HE OCCUPIED THE CHAIR OF ENGINEERING AND TAUGHT THE STUDENTS OF THE 5TH POLYTECHNIC YEAR. HE ESTABLISHED IN PARTICULAR AN ENTIRELY NEW COURSE IN PIPELINES, WHICH HE GAVE FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR YEARS.

IN 1964 COLONEL VERBOIS WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF STUDIES AT UNCLASSIFIED

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THE "ECOLE ROYALE MILITAIRE".

PROMOTED MAJOR GENERAL IN 1967, HE ASSUMED COMMAND OF THE BELGIAN ARMY BASE, A POST INVOLVING THE HIGHEST RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE MATTER OF LOGISTIC SUPPORT NOT ONLY FOR THE WHOLE OF THE ARMY BUT ALSO, IN PART, FOR THE AIR FORCE AND NAVY, INVOLVING CONTROL OF THE HIGHEST ECHELONS IN THE SUPPLY AND REPAIR ORGANISATIONS.

THIS INCLUDED IN PARTICULAR CONTROL OF DEPOTS, ARSENALS AND MILITARY HOSPITALS. IN THE CASE OF DEPOTS, MAJOR GENERAL VERBOIS DIRECTED THE INTRODUCTION OF COMPUTERISED STORES ACCOUNTING.

HIS EXPERIENCE THUS COVERS THE ADMINISTRATION OF LARGE
NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL, BOTH CIVIL AND MILITARY, AND OF HIGH AND
VARIED TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS.

PROMOTED LIEUTANT GENERAL IN MARCH 1970, HE RETAINED THE
POST OF COMMANDER ARMY BASE, WHICH HE CURRENTLY STILL HOLD.

ON 10 JULY 1970, LIEUTENANT GENERAL VERBOIS WAS APPOINTED ADC
TO HIM THE KING.

KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGES:

FRENCH: MOTHER TONGUE

ENGLISH: NEEDS BRUSH UP (PERFECTLY POSSIBLE BY MARCH 1975).

GERMAN: NEEDS BRUSHING UP.

DUTCH: THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE

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